

CLAIMS

1. A solid preparation coated with a continuous film coating layer, wherein the film coating layer has two or more different colors or a pattern of two or more different colors.

2. A process for the preparation of a solid preparation coated with a continuous film coating layer which comprises irradiating a part of the film coating layer containing one or more colorants with light.

3. A film coating agent capable of forming a film coating layer as claimed in claim 1.

4. A film coating agent as claimed in claim 3 wherein the film coating agent contains hydroxypropyl methylcellulose or methylcellulose.

5. A solid preparation treating apparatus for yielding a continuous film coating layer on the surface of a solid preparation with two or more different colors or a pattern of two or more different colors, which comprises a solid preparation loader movably disposed, a light controller for controlling the light-exposed surface area of the solid preparation and a light source for light irradiation.